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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to a first Office Action concerning the patent application identified above, mailed on August 29, 2002. As this response is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory period set for response, no extension of time is necessary. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments and the remarks that follow.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 17.

Please amend claims 14, 15, 16, 18, and 21 as indicated in Appendix A. The amended claims read as follows: